

## ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a method for the generation of single chain  
5 immunoglobulins in a mammal. In particular, the present invention relates to a method for the  
generation of single chain camelid VHH antibodies in a mammal which undergo the process of  
class-switching and affinity maturation found within antibody producing B cells. Single chain  
antibodies generated using the method of the present invention and the uses thereof are also  
described.